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ALL-DAY PROTEST DEMONSTRATIONS IN CITY

POLICE OPEN FIRE IN SIX DIFFERENT AREAS

FIVE KILLED & TWENTY WOUNDED

TEAR GAS AND LATHIS USED TO DISPERSE CROWDS: BATTLE OF WITS AT SHIVAJI PARK

BOMBAY, August 9.

FIVE persons have been killed and 20 others have received bullet wounds as a result of police firing in six localities about a dozen times.

35 others, among whom were 15 police constables sustained other injuries resulting from stone-throwing.

Curfew is being enforced between 7-30 p.m. and 6 a.m. to-night in the affected areas, covered by the Girgaum, Kalbadevi, Bhuleshwar, Sandhurst and Lamington Roads areas.

CURFEW ORDER PROMULGATED

The Curfew order is being strictly enforced. Since the Curfew hour the trouble has subsided.

After four hours of demonstration and repeated attempts by the police to disperse the crowd by lathi charges and use of gas smoke the demonstrators at Shivaji Park dispersed when darkness set in. Thereupon the police force was withdrawn.

Near the meeting place a number of motor buses are reported to have been stoned.

Kasturba Arrested

Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi, Mr. Pyarilal Sarma, Mahatma Gandhi's Secretary, and Dr. Shushila Nayar were arrested this evening at Birla House. Mrs. Gandhi had announced her intention to address the Shivaji Park meeting which Mahatma Gandhi was to have addressed.

Two police officers arrived at Birla House in the evening and asked Mrs. Gandhi if she was determined to address the meeting, and if so, said that they had orders for her arrest.

On Mrs. Gandhi replying in the affirmative she along with Mr. Pyarilal and Dr. Shushila Nayar were put under arrest.

It is understood that Mrs. Gandhi may be taken to Poona to join Mahatma Gandhi.

Police Chase Crowds

The police repeatedly used tear smoke and Lathis to disperse a large congregation which assembled at Shivaji Park, Dadar, this evening, where Mahatma Gandhi was programmed to address a meeting at 6 p.m. to-day.

Though the meeting was timed to commence at 6 p.m. a large gathering of people had assembled on the Maidan by 4 p.m. The police had taken elaborate precautions to prevent the holding of the proposed meeting and had stationed Lathi and armed police at various strategic points on all sides of the Maidan.

The police repeatedly chased the crowds using tearsmoke and Lathis, but the crowds came back. A number of people were injured.

Some cases of stone-throwing on the police are also reported.

Battle Of Wits

Police parties and large crowds were engaged in outwitting each other for over four and a half hours at Shivaji Park, in Bombay North, to-day where originally it was announced that Mahatma Gandhi would address a public meeting this evening. Despite his arrest thousands of people streamed into the park. A posse of armed police tear gas squads and some lathi police were stationed in the park to prevent the holding of any public meeting. The park was too big to be cleared of the crowds that repeatedly dodged the police.

Frequent use of tear gas squibs did not result in the complete dispersal of the crowds. With buckets of water and sand the dispersed crowds re-entered the Park and smothered the tear gas squibs that were thrown on them.

There were a few minor clashes between the police and sections of the crowd that kept on shouting Congress slogans. The police, it is stated, fired a few shots and one person was removed to hospital with a bullet wound.

At about 8-30 p.m. the crowds had completely left the Park and the police also withdrew.

In the north of the city crowds prevented the running of buses and numbers of vehicles were found parked on the road side. Six buses were seen smashed up.

Govt. Version

The Government of Bombay have issued the following communique:—

"Riotous action by Congress demonstrators in Bombay City on Sunday morning and afternoon forced the police to use teargas on five occasions and to open fire five times.

"Eighteen persons were wounded by the firing and two of them died. Upto 5 p.m. 34 police constables and 11 police officers have been injured. Four of the constables have been taken to hospital. At the same hour 149 persons have been arrested.

Firing was necessitated by the crowds stoning the police and a police station and setting fire to buses.

At least two Government grain shops were looted by the demonstrators, the latter also obstructed traffic, slashing tyres of motor vehicles and removing passengers from buses and trams. Shop-keepers were forced or intimidated into closing their premises. Policemen, especially European officers, were assaulted and Indian members of the uniformed defence service were urged to desert.

Orders prohibiting assembly of five or more persons and banning carrying of weapons were issued during the afternoon. Curfew is being imposed in the affected areas to-night."

ALL-DAY DEMONSTRATIONS

A toll of five persons killed, twenty others injured from bullet wounds as a result of police firing in six different localities of the city and also 149 arrests are reported today. The areas where the firing took place are stated to be Mugbhat Lane, Sarkari Tabela Sadashiv Lane Vithalbhai Patel Road and Bhuleshwar. Complete hartal prevailed in several localities.

As a result of stone-throwing, it is alleged, that 15 police constables and 20 citizens sustained injuries.

Traffic At Stand-still

From early morning till late in night tense excitement prevailed in the City of Bomb as the news of the arrest ndhiji and other Congress leaders spread from mouth to mouth. Clusters of men and women were seen congregating everywhere.

At 5 in the evening two Congress flags were flying at the Gowalia Tank Maidan, on the pandal. Mr. Dhirubhai Desai, it is learnt, was arrested when he went to hoist them.

Tram and bus traffic was dislocated. The trams had completely stopped between, Dhobi Talao to Pydhonie, Dhobi Talao to Foras Road Junction, and also upto the Opera House.

Four buses were found lying damaged on the Vithalbhai Patel Road, which was strewn with fragments of glass and pieces of cut tyres. The bodies of two buses were ripped open and one was set on fire. Some buses were also damaged on Tilak Bridge at Dadar.

Huge boulders were placed on the Girgaum and Kalbadevi Tram lines and missiles were strewn all along the roads, obstructing traffic of any type. Some motorists who braved the situation had to dodge between boulder and the upturned traffic barrel which lay littered about the streets.

In Sutar Lane and Khetwadi, excited crowds broke open two Government grain shops and threw the contents here and there. Some old women from the neighbourhood came and helped themselves to what came their way.

The police were seen to chase groups of people who shouted slogans. Constables charged defiant crowds with lathis to disperse them. But the moment the back of police was turned the crowds gathered again and vociferous slogans resounded all around.

At Bhuleshwar

At about 10-30 in the morning a large crowd gathered at Bhuleshwar, and became demonstrative. The police made a tear gas attack to disperse them. As the tear gas attack was found ineffective the police resorted to lathi charge. The crowds melted for sometime but formed into small groups and resumed their tactics again.

The fire-brigade at Bhuleshwar was guarded by armed police.

Armed police guards were also placed at all points where there were spasmodic outbursts of demonstrations.

All over the disturbed areas water hydrons were broken and streams of water flowed at various places. This was presumably done to soak handkerchiefs to ward off gas attacks.

Wherever there were tear-gas attacks housewives from the localities provided buckets of water and pieces of cloth for the benefit of the victims.

In several streets in the affected areas gas lamps were smashed to smithereens.

Sign-boards from the adjoining shops were removed by mobs and stuck in the middle of the road near the Majestic Cinema.

Near Prarthana Samaj

At about 10-15 a crowd of three to four thousand people collected near Prarthana Samaj and started shouting slogans. The police with a megaphone warned the crowd to disperse, but the warning was not heeded. This resulted in a traffic jam. Twenty-two tram-cars and about ten buses were held up.

Upon this the police made tear gas attacks and finding the crowd stubborn ordered a lathi charge. The crowd still continued to demonstrate and there

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Maisky Has Not Received It

Congress Resolution And United Nations

LONDON, Aug. 9.

Reuters was informed by the Soviet Embassy in London this afternoon that M. Maisky has not received any message from the Congress Party.

It was reported from India last night that the text of the Congress resolution had been cabled to M. Maisky, President Roosevelt and Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek.—Reuter.

PROTEST MOVE IN LONDON

India League Executive To Consider Crisis In India

LONDON, August 9.

An emergency meeting has been called for Monday of the Executive of the India League of which Mr. Bertrand Russel (now in America) is Chairman and Mr. David Grenfell (ex-Minister of Mines) an Executive Member. Organisation of meetings of protest against the India Government's action is expected to be decided on.—Reuter.

Mild Lathi Charge At Lucknow Meeting

LUCKNOW, August 9.

The Police twice resorted to mild lathi charge to disperse a crowd, which attempted to hold a meeting this evening in Aminuddawlah Park in defiance of the City Magistrate's order to protest against the arrest of Mahatma Gandhi and other Congress leaders. Failing in their attempt to hold the meeting, the crowd dispersed at about 11-30 p.m. The police effected a number of arrests. —A. P.

Congress Organisations In Country Declared Unlawful

Swaraj Bhawan Locked And Sealed: Police Occupy B.P.C.C. Premises

THE Congress Working Committee, the All-India Congress Committee, the Provincial Congress Committees, of Bombay, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Karnatak have been declared unlawful. Similar reports have been received from other provinces also.

The Congress house in Bombay was occupied by the police as also the pandal of the A. I. C. C. and the Gowalia Tank recreation ground.

PROCESSIONS AND MEETINGS BANNED

All processions and meetings not permitted by the authorities have been banned, and the entire police force of the city augmented by the reserve police and military contingents, were mobilised to meet any situation that might arise, as a result of the arrest of the Congress leaders.

POLICE OPEN FIRE IN POONA AND AHMEDABAD

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, August 9.

Sjts. N. V. Gadgil, President of Maharashtra P. C. C., K. M. Jedhe, B. M. Gupte, ex-Parliamentary Secretary, Bombay, Dr. B. C. Lagu and Acharya V. P. Limaye and Ghare were arrested this afternoon immediately as they detrained at Poona station. Mr. Ghare was arrested at Chinchwad.

POONA.—The police opened fire on a section of the crowd near Congress House and two persons received bullet wounds, one of whom succumbed while the other is stated to be in a serious condition.

The crowd which was not permitted to approach Congress House, made several attempts to break through the police cordon, but each time was thrown back by lathi charges. There was stone-throwing and the police resorted to firing when the situation appeared to get out of hand. Hitherto 30 persons have been arrested.

16 ARRESTS IN ALL

Miss Prema Kantak was arrested this evening. In all 16 persons were arrested during the course of the day.

A procession predominantly of students about 1,000 strong came up to the Congress House this evening shouting slogans and after a scuffle with the police there who had cordoned the Congress House formed into a meeting outside the Congress House. At this stage the District Superintendent of Police arrived on the scene. A mild lathi charge was made to disperse the crowd. Repeated lathi charges were also made when the dispersed people tried to reassemble again and again. It is understood some people have been injured.

FIRING IN AHMEDABAD

AHMEDABAD, Aug. 9.

The local police have started rounding up local Congress leaders two of whom have been already arrested and more are expected to be rounded up. An order under Sec. 144. Criminal Procedure Code has also been promulgated banning the gathering of more than five persons.

One man was killed and another injured as the result of police opening fire on an unruly mob which gathered on the Gandhi Road and indulged in stone-throwing. An attempt to set fire to a police chowkey was also made. Military was called and eight more arrests were made apart from the nineteen arrests made in the general round up. Curfew Order has been applied from 7 p. m. to 6 a. m., for seven days to Raipur and Khadia localities, which have become the storm-centres of trouble. The situation is quiet in other parts of the city.

A procession was taken out this morning in Khadia. Police soon arrived and dispersed it with a mild lathi charge.

MILL WORKERS COME OUT

Operatives have come out from most of the cotton mills after the midday recess.

An attempt to hold a meeting was made by Mr. Gulam Rasul Qureshi, Member of the A. I. C. C., in the compound of the District Local Board. Police soon arrived and dispersed the meeting by using tear-gas.

PEOPLE ARE BEING WARNED THROUGH THE LOCAL LOUD-SPEAKER SYSTEM THAT THOSE WHO ATTACKED THE POLICE OR THE MILITARY WERE LIABLE TO BE SHOT.

Seventeen Congress Leaders, including Darbar Gopaldas Desai, have been arrested in Kaira district and brought to Sabarmati Central Jail.—A. P.

Arrests In Suburbs

Mr. Wandrekar, M.L.A. (Bombay) was arrested on Sunday at Khar. Messrs. Gokulbhai Bhat and Oza were arrested at Vile Parle.

Amery Way To Save India And Allied Cause

LONDON, August 9.

The Secretary for India, Mr. L. S. Amery, said in a broadcast tonight:

"By their prompt and resolute action the Government of India have saved India and the allied cause from a grave disaster. There may yet be a certain measure of trouble. It is too early to speak with any assurance, but I believe it will not be trouble that cannot be dealt with by the Government of India through the police and courts.—Reuter.

Arrests And Hartal In Delhi

NEW DELHI, Aug. 9.

Many shops in Old Delhi were closed this morning following the news of the Bombay arrests, while a number of shops in Old Delhi and all of them in New Delhi observed the usual holiday on Sunday.

Some Congress workers of Delhi were arrested this morning.—A.P.

Maulana, Jawahar And Sardar For Unknown Destination

POONA, Aug. 9.

It appears that the Members of the Congress Working Committee were not taken to Yeravda but the special train carrying them, which includes Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, left for an unknown destination.

Mahatma Gandhi, Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Mr. Mahadev Desai and Miss Miraben were detrained at Chinchwad station about ten miles from Poona and as the party was driven in a big car, Mahatma Gandhi was seen cracking jokes with Mrs. Sarojini Naidu. Miss Miraben and Mr. Mahadev Desai were seated on the front seats.

Mahatma Gandhi's car was led by another car with the Inspector-General of Prisons, and was immediately followed by another car carrying Mr. N. P. A. Smith, the Inspector-General of Police.

CONTINGENT OF FORTY

A contingent of forty Congress leaders from Bombay, including four women, were brought in three buses and were lodged in the Yeravda Central Prison. Prominent among them were Messrs. B. G. Kher, S. K. Patil, G. P. Huthee singh, Yusuf Meherally, Miss Maniben Patel, Miss Khan Dhumatkar, Mrs. Safia Khan, Messrs. S. L. Silam, Nagindas Master, Abidali Jafferbhoy, Dr. Narwane, Mr. Ganpatishankar Desai and Mr. Ashok Mehta.

A small crowd which had gathered in front of the jail gate shouted "Mahatma Gandhi-ki-Jai" and "Vande Mataram" as the party was driven inside the jail gates.—A.P.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 21st August, 1942, to MONDAY, the 7th September, 1942, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
KILLICK, NIXON & CO.,
Agents.

Home Street, Fort,
Bombay, 8th August, 1942.
(9324)

NOTICE

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By Order of the Board,
N. SIRUR & CO., LTD.,
Managing Agents,
V. N. CHANDAVARKAR,
Managing Director.

Bombay, 5th August, 1942.

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Mr. Richard Holdsworth. 9310

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By Order,
E. J. DAWSON,
Secretary & Treasurer,
Bombay.

Bombay, 16th July, 1942.
(9237)

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NOTICE.

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Persons in Municipal service are eligible to apply.

Canvassing directly or indirectly will disqualify the applicant.

B. C. DASGUPTA,
Executive Health Officer,
Bombay Municipality.

Public Health Dept.,
Bombay, 7th August, 1942
9325

Public Notices

PUCCA RECEIPTS LOST OR MISLAID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that four Pucca Receipts Nos. 116|701, 117|701, 118|701 and 119|701 dated 14th March, 1942, for four shares Nos. 26195, 13906, 3189 and 7825 respectively, issued by the Century Spg. & Mfg. Co., Ltd. to Mr. Mahendra Chandulal of Bombay, have been LOST or MISLAID and the undersigned has applied to the Company to issue the Share Certificates. Any persons, having any claim on the said receipts, should notify to and lodge such claim with the Company at its registered Office, Queens Mansions, Prescott Road, Fort, Bombay within one month from this date, after which no claim will be considered and the Company will proceed to issue the said Share Certificates.

(Sd.) MAHENDRA CHANDULAL
9323

Legal Notices

ABSTRACT OF THE CHAMBER SUMMONS, DATED 18TH JULY, 1942.

HIGH COURT

O. O. C. J.

Suit No. 279 of 1936.

GORDHANDAS PURSHOTAMDAS .... Plaintiff.
vs.
SHA WADILAL PURSHOTAMDAS ..... Defendant

To
SHA WADILAL PURSHOTAMDAS, Esq.,
Defendant abovenamed,

LET ALL PARTIES CONCERNED attend before the Hon'ble the Sitting Judge in Chambers on FRIDAY, the 21st day of August, 1942, at 11 a. m. (S. T.) in the forenoon at the hearing of an application on the part of the plaintiff abovenamed for an order:—

(A) that parts 1 and 2 of the Schedule to the consent Preliminary Mortgage Decree and Decree Absolute for Sale dated 8th day of April, 1936, and 28th June, 1938, respectively be amended as mentioned in the Schedule to the affidavit of Taherbhai Jiwaji Kadiani, dated the 23rd day of June, 1942, hereinafter mentioned; and

(B) that the cost of this Chamber summons be provided for.

Dated this 18th day of July, 1942.

(Sd.) GHULAMALI, NOORANI & CO.,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

NOTE:— The affidavit of T. J. Kadiani, dated 23rd June, 1942, will be used in support thereof. 9326

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. SHANKERRAO HARISCHANDRA PARELKAR, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell to our client, the property described below. All persons having any claim or interest in or to the property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, possession, trust, gift, inheritance, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office in Fort Chambers, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the publication hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

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NEW DELHI, Aug. 8.

By an addition to the rules under the Defence of India Act, the Government of India have empowered the provincial Governments to supersede a local authority for such period as they think necessary if the local authority employs its funds, its offices, members or servants in activities prejudicial to the defence of British India, the public safety, the maintenance of public order, the efficient prosecution of the war, and the maintenance of supply and services essential to the life of the community.—A. A.

MYSTERY GAS IN NEW YORK TUBE STATION

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.

More than 200 passengers poured from New York's underground railway with tears streaming from their eyes after being attacked by the fumes of a mysterious gas as the train passed through Manhattan. The authorities are investigating the cause of the gas, said by the police to resemble tear gas. —Reuter

RAJAJI SAYS DEFENCE OF INDIA IS "VERY SLIPPERY"

MADRAS, Aug. 9.

In a statement to the Associated Press Mr. C. Rajagopalachari said:

"My words have fallen on deaf ears both on my colleagues and on the British Government. Repression of Congress, even if successful, does not solve the problem of the defence of India. Without a united people close cooperation behind the State, the defence of the country is very slippery.

The present Congress demand is very different from the position first taken up by Gandhiji. Both Gandhiji and the Congress have agreed to armed resistance and the maintenance of British war policy and international relations. There can thus be no difficulty in the transfer of full responsibility to an interim popular Government.

If the British agree to do this, my earnest advice to the Congress would be to ask the Muslim League to dictate its terms for cooperation.

Government has, however created fresh difficulties for this rapprochement by the precipitation of their measures.—A. P.

"Repression Won't Serve Purpose", Says Kison Leader

CUTTACK, Aug. 9.

"This ruthless repression will not serve the purpose," said Swami Sahajananda Saraswati, in a statement to the press on the arrests of Mahatma Gandhi and other Congress leaders. Swami Sahajanand arrived here this morning to preside over the anti-Fascist rally, to be held to-morrow.

As to the attitude of the Kisan Sabha towards the Congress movement, he said that All-India Council of the Kisan Sabha had arranged to meet on August 22 in expectation of the fact that by this time the proposed correspondence between Mahatma Gandhi and the Viceroy would be finished. It was not possible now to give an idea as to the attitude of the Sabha. It could not be expected that when they were not party to the Congress move, they would be a party to this repression. So they could not support the repressive policy of the Government.

Concluding he said: "There is no question of the Sabha starting a counter-movement to the Congress agitation. We cannot join this movement although what will happen in future will depend on how events take their shape."—A.P.

Tapti Returns To Normal

SURAT, August 7.

The Tapti flood situation is speedily returning to normal, and the danger is considered to have passed. The bridge across the river however, is closed to traffic. One man is reported to have been drowned in the suburban creek.—A. P.

JAWAHAR-YUNUS TALKS ON FRONTIER SITUATION

PESHAWAR, August 8.

It is understood that Mr. Mohd Yunus, who was sent by Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan from Sardaryab centre had telephonic conversation from here with Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in Bombay last night. It is learnt that he reported to Pandit Nehru the Frontier situation.—A.P.

Mahasabha Executive To Consider Savarkar's Resignation

CALCUTTA, Aug. 7.

The Working Committee of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha will meet on August 29 and continue till 31 at New Delhi to consider the resignation of Mr V. D. Savarkar, the President, and the present political situation. The question of issuing an appeal by the Working Committee for Rs 5,00,000 for the Mahasabha fund will also come up.—United Press.

"C. P." TO CONVENE CONFERENCE.

NEW DELHI, Aug 6.

It is understood that Sir C. P Ramaswamy Iyer will call a conference of Provincial Publicity Plan of Centre and provinces. Sir C P. will also set up an Advisory Committee consisting of officials and non-officials on the same lines proposed by late Sir Akbar Hydari.—Orient Press.

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Higitide: 11-28, 23-12.
Lowtide: 4-30, 17-24.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

METRO—"Woman of the Year" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
BROADWAY—"Pyas" 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Kunwara Bap" 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Saugand" 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m.
NEW WEST END—"Khan-Daan" 3, 6 and 9
CAPITOL—"Keep 'em Flying" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
ROXY—"Jhoola" 2-15, 5-45 and 9 p.m.
REGAL—"Roxie Hart" 4, 5-30 and 9-30 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Lady Has Plans" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MINERVA—"Station Master" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
PRAKASH—"Manthan" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Mata" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
EDWARD—"Mud" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PARADISE—"That Night in Rio" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Aloma of the South Seas" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Sister" 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
PLAZA—"Bharat Bhet" 3-45, 6-45 and 9-45
CENTRAL—"Phir Milenge" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
AURORA—"It Started With Eve" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Sangam" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
SUPER—"Mugabla" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
CITY LIGHT—"Padosi" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Ankh-Michowli" 4, 7 and 10
OPERA HOUSE—"Arman" 4, 7 and 10 p.m

ADAMJI PEERBHOY'S ANNIVERSARY: Anniversary of S. Adamji Peerbhoy which was to be celebrated on Sunday by Bohras has been postponed owing to disturbed condition in the city.

"MOTHER INDIA FREE NIGHT HIGH SCHOOL: An emergency meeting of the Managing Committee and the students of the school will be held today (Monday) at 7-30 p.m. at the school premises. Mr. S. H. Jhabwala will preside.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SOCIOLOGY: A meeting of the Discussion Group (for members only) will be held to-day (Monday), at 6-30 p.m. (S. T.), at the R. L. Trust Buildings. Subject will be "A. I. C. C resolution and its reactions."

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: The next extension lecture in Gujerati under the auspices of the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan will be delivered at 4-30 p.m., to-day (Monday), at the University Buildings, (South Wing), Shri Durgashankar K. Shastri will speak on "Jivanmukti Vichara".

NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK, LTD.: A branch of this Bank was opened on Thursday, at the Chinai Building, Musjid Bunder Road, Mandvi. Mr. Khorana, the Managing Director, described the aims and objects of the Bank and said that the branch received initial deposits of well over three lakhs of rupees.

PROPERTY OWNERS MEETING: A meeting of the property-owners of Bombay will be held in the Sheth Mulji Jetha's Cloth Market Hall, today (Monday), at 3 p.m. (S. T.) to consider and protest against the Government notification proposing to levy War Risk Insurance Premium on properties other than factories. Mr. Vithaldas Damoder Govindji will preside.

MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE.
The Mayor has called a meeting of the Corporation to-morrow (T at 3-30 p.m. (B. T.), the meeting of the Improvements Committee, called for that day, will be held to-day (Monday), at 3-30 p.m. (B. T.) instead of on Tuesday, as previously intimated.

GOVERNOR'S INVESTITURE: H. E. the Governor will hold an informal Investiture at Government House, Ganeshkhind, on the morning of Saturday, September 19 for recipients of Honours and Indian Titles resident in Ahmednagar, Poona, Satara, Sholapur and Ratnagiri Districts. Letters of invitation have been issued to all those whom His Excellency proposes to invest. Any person resident in the areas mentioned who has received an award and who wishes to be invested but has not yet received a letter of invitation, should apply without delay to the Secretary to the Governor, Government House, Bombay.

DEARNESS ALLOWANCE OF MUNICIPAL WORKERS.
(From A Correspondent)
Nearly 5,000 Municipal employees of various Departments participated in the procession organised by the Municipal Workers' Union on Thursday last. The procession terminated at Azad Maidan, where a meeting was held under the presidentship of Mr. Abdul Sattar. The Mayor of Bombay, Mr. Yusuf Meherally, while addressing the workers said that at least an increase of Rs. 2 would be granted to the employees earning below Rs. 100.

RETAIL PRICES OF WHEAT FLOUR: The Government of Bombay has now fixed the following prices for retail sales of wheat-flour, atta and bran in the City of Bombay:
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Grain Merchants' Association

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B.P. Muslim League Chief's Advice To Shopkeepers

BOMBAY, August 9.
Mr. I. I. Chundrigar, President of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League, has issued an appeal to the Mussalmans not to close their shops or business when Congress or pro-Congress elements declare suspension of business.
He says: "I have received numerous reports from Muslim shop-keepers that Congress volunteers, Desh Sevikas and Congress sympathizers forcibly tried to close the shops of Hindus and Muslims to-day with a view to express sympathy with the movement launched by the Congress.
"There is no doubt that the success of Mr. Gandhi's movement will sound a death knell of the Pakistan Scheme and will lead to the permanent enslavement of the Musalmans by establishing a form of Government under which they will be the subjects and Hindus will be the rulers. Under these circumstances the duty of the Musalmans is clear. They can have no sympathy with the movement started by Mr. Gandhi and they must stoutly resist any attempt to coerce them to express sympathy with this movement."—United Press.

ON THE AIR

MONDAY, AUGUST 10.

Delhi I—Programme
338.6 metres (886 kc/s)
5 p.m. Light selection 5-15 Mausam ke rag. 5-25 Musical variety. 5-25 Jawabi Hamia. 6-30 Punjabi ang au; purab ang. 6-45 Tan Tarang. 7 K. C. Dey and Saigal. 7-15 Unpublished letters of Mirza Rajab Ali Beg Saroor. 7-30 Delhi Radio Orchestra. 7-35 It has happened. 7-40 Kia Kahie. 8 For the universities. 8-15 For villagers only. 9-50 Savari Panch Tal on Pakhawaj. 10 Jeevan Ras. 10-15 Bagesri on Sitar. 10-30 Zohra Jan.

Bombay I—Programme.
244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Shyamla Mazgaonkar. 7-50 News in Hindustani. 8 News in English. 8-10 Avinash Vyas. 8-20 Niwrutti Sarnaik. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 T. Shevalkar. 9-20 Air Trio 12-30 p.m. Bhajans. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Gujarati duets. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 4-20 School broadcast. 5 Tomorrow. 5-5 Hilla A J Doctor. 5-15 S. N. Chapekar. 5-25 Zahoor Raja 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Hilla A. J. Doctor. 6 News in English. 6-10 Counter-attack. 6-15 News in Hindustani. 6-25 Local news and announcements. 6-30 Nana Ani Mani 7 Know thy neighbour. 7-15 Avinash Vyas. 7-25 Zahoor Raja. 7-35 T. Shevalkar. 7-45 News commentary. 7-50 Meraj ki rat. 8-10 News in Marathi. 8-20 News in Gujarati. 8-30 Sports review. 8-45 Radio Reconnaissance. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Listening post. 9-50 War review. 10 Zahoor Raja. 10-10 T. Shevalkar. 10-20 Shyamla Mazgaonkar.

Bombay II—Programme
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)
7-30 to 7-50 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 7-50 Shyamla Mazgaonkar. 8 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Murliwala Sidha Sadha. 9 Instrumental variety. 9-10 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1.
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)
12-30 to 2-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)
4-20 to 7-15 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interva.
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)
7-30 p.m. Commercial news. 7-45 to 8-10 As in Bombay 1. 8-10 A little known raag. 8-20 Air Bhajan Mandali. 8-30 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Air Orchestra. 9-10 Niwrutti Sarnaik. 9-30 Emmi Dvazi-Marcus. 9-45 Allo Guzdar. 9-55 Dancing time.

Chagla To Adjudicate Labour Disputes

The Government of Bombay has appointed Mr. Justice M. C. Chagla to adjudicate the disputes between the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., Bombay and its employees, and between the Caltex (India) Ltd., Bombay and its employees.

"DON'T MAKE FUSS"

BOMBAY, August 8.
Replying to the "News Chronicle" editorial Mahatma Gandhi in an interview said:—
"If, the resolution goes through this evening, I shall be the chief actor in the tragedy; it is therefore dreadful if any responsible Englishman considers me to be guilty of hatred of the British and admitted partially for appeasement." In recent times I have not heard any other Englishman accusing me of hatred of British. Any way, I emphatically plead not guilty. My love of British is equal to that of my own people. I claim no merit for it, for I have equal love for all mankind without exception. It demands no reciprocity. I own no enemy on earth That is my creed.

NEVER AN APPEASER

I have never admitted any partiality for "appeasement" which has become a term of reproach in the English language. Peace I want among all mankind, but I don't want peace at any cost, and certainly not by placating the aggressor or at the cost of honour. Anyone, therefore, who thinks that I am guilty of either vice will do great harm to the immediate purpose.
The resolution is intended to compass the very end which the article in question has at heart. We here feel that Britain cannot be extricated from its critical position unless India's hearty cooperation is secured. That cooperation is impossible without the people realising that they are independent today. And they have to act swiftly, if they are to retain the independence regained after insufferable period of foreign domination. No one can change the nature of a whole mass of mankind by promises when the reality is the indispensable requisite for energising them.

SOLUTION OF DIFFICULTY

The resolution has provided for difficulty that the framers could anticipate. They have accounted for every valid criticism and I can say on behalf of the Congress that it would any time be prepared to consider and make allowance for any valid difficulty No one responsible has even taken the trouble of discussing with the Working Committee of the Congress the difficulty there is about immediate recognition of India's Independence. The Congress consent to the military operations of the Allied arms during the pendency of the war surely is sufficient answer to any difficulty that we could conceive. British or the Allies run no risk in recognising independence.

BRITAIN RUNS NO RISK

The risk is all on the side of India, but Congress is prepared to take it. Not only the British run no risk so far as conduct of war is concerned, but they gain by this one act of justice an Ally counting 400 millions, and accession of strength that is derived from a consciousness of having done that justice.

Then and then only could Great Britain be distinguished from Nazis and Fascists only by that act and no other.

It, therefore, passes comprehension that such tremendous fuss is being made over doing a tardy act of simple justice.—A. P.

His Highness the Maharaja Holkar has been pleased to sanction Rs. 3,500 to the Indore Harijan Sevak Sangh out of a civil list grant. Rs. 1,500 out of this sum will be devoted to the repairs and renovations of the rectangle where the Harijan Sevak Sangh Factory is situated and the remaining Rs. 2,000 to the starting of a new oil Pressing Industry.

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REPRESSION RESUMED

Government have fired the first shot in the fight with the Congress. But it is not an achievement that they can be proud of or that can do them any good, nor is it a very edifying exhibition of their might. If the leaders arrested had actually started Civil Disobedience, their arrest would have been regarded as at least normal. But Gandhiji and the Congress President had made it abundantly clear that though the A. I. C. C. had sanctioned a campaign, they would try negotiations first and start it only when there was no alternative left. Gandhiji had said that he would write to the Viceroy and that, "if there was favourable response his letter could be the basis for negotiations." The President said only a few hours before his arrest that he would address letters to President Roosevelt, Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek and the Russian Ambassador in London and would otherwise "take all possible steps, right up to the very last minute to see if the struggle could be avoided." Government's action in arresting all prominent Congress leaders is designed and calculated to make all such attempts impossible. They certainly cannot escape responsibility for the consequences of their heedless act.

No Solution

The Bombay authorities were not content with arresting the leaders. They dispersed a rally of men and women volunteers with tear gas and a lathi charge near the A. I. C. C. pandal. The National Flag was insulted by being hauled down, a volunteer who attempted to prevent the insult, was belabcured and a meeting of students in the pandal was prevented by force from being held. This was an unnecessary exhibition of force. If Government think that repression would crush the Congress, they are grievously mistaken. Past history has belied any such expectation. The Congress has always thriven and will continue to thrive on repression. Insult to the National Flag is not the best method to teach loyalty to the British Empire and the British Flag. It will rather endear the Tricolour more and more to the nation. Civil resisters invite suffering on themselves and do not complain when the law is enforced on them justly. But let not harsh methods be added to the suffering and let not laws be made lawless. And, as Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar points out, "repression of Congress, even if successful, does not solve the problem of the defence of India. Without a united people's close co-operation behind the State, the defence of the country is very slippery."

Need For National Govt.

Seeking to justify their new policy towards the Congress the Government of India say in their resolution on the Congress demand: "The Government of India would regard it as wholly incompatible with their responsibilities to the people of India and their obligations to the Allies, that a demand should be discussed the acceptance of which would plunge India into confusion and anarchy internally and would paralyse her effort in the common cause of human freedom." An amicable settlement on the basis of the demand, such as the Congress President hoped for and promised to strive for till the last moment, would have averted all the possible risks and would have been the greatest service to the Allies. In any case, if it was not possible to concede the demand, it is perverse to say that the demand could not even be "discussed." The comments of Sir Bijay Prasad Singh Roy, President of the National Liberal Federation of India, should give food for serious thught to the Government. He says: "The Government have precipitated the crisis in trying to anticipate action by the Congress. Mahatma Gandhi was reported to have decided to interview the Viceroy before starting the movement. In the circumstances Government could have awaited the result of this interview which might have given the entire situation a peaceful turn. The arrest of so many leaders and the declaration of Congress organisations illegal will have an adverse psycho logical effect on the Indian people, affecting the country's war effort." It is idle to dismiss the Congress demand as coming from only one party. All responsible parties have asked for the immediate establishment of a truly National Government. But the Government resolution does not advance a single argument against this common demand. The Government of India venture to say: "The Congress party is not India's mouthpiece, yet, in the interests of securing their own dominance and in pursuit of their totalitarian policy its leaders have consistently impeded the efforts made to bring India to full nationhood. But for the resistance of the Congress party to all constructive endeavours, India might even now be enjoying self-government." India and the world know better who have striven for nationhood and who have striven to cut the nation into bits, who have worked disinterestedly for the whole country and who have made dominance their foremost interest. But it is perhaps futile to reason with a Government who have spurned the method of argument and negotiation and have resorted to repression to ensure their dominance. The pity of it is they can find Indians to make themselves responsible for and be party to the repression in one way or other. That is one of the sadest results of our long subjection. And that is also one good reason why India insists on real and complete independence. As Mr. Rajagopalachariar says: "The present Congress demand is very different from the position first taken up by Gandhiji. Both Gandhiji and the Congress have agreed to armed resistance and the maintenance of British w\ policy and international relations. There can thus, we agree with him, be no difficulty in the transfer of full responsibility to an interim popular Government commanding the confidence of all parties.

The Russian Situation

The situation has continued to deteriorate on the Russian front during the last week. In the south the enemy has succeeded in driving forward at terrific speed. As Reuter's correspondent points out, the Nazis have, in a single week, moved down from Salsk to Armavir, a distance of no less than 130 miles. They are now in the heart of the Kuban country in the north Caucasus and are threatening to cut off the entire western section of Krasnodar province with its Black Sea ports of Novorossisk and Tuapse. It is impossible to over-emphasise the magnitude of the crisis which will face not only Russia but also the United Nations if the North Caucasus is conquered by the enemy and the Russians lose their hold on the Black Sea. The tragedy is that as the "Red Star" says, the Germans are moving down in such overwhelming strength that Soviet resistance is proving unavailing. The question is: where will the Germans be stopped?

Nor has the situation improved as regards the threat to Stalingrad. In the Don bend the Russians have managed to hold the Germans for about two weeks now and are even reported to have driven the Nazis slightly back in one of its sectors. But the threat from the south-western arm of von Bock's pincer remains grave He has driven a number of wedges into Soviet positions although, according to one report, the Russians have since checked temporarily the German advance. The fate of Stalingrad and north Caucasus hangs in a very perilous balance. And it is not possible to see how both or either could be saved except with reserves and, simultaneously, a major diversion in another part of the vast front. As to reserves, Marshal Timoshenko has not yet disclosed them which makes one wonder if he possesses any in adequate quantity. Regarding diversion, Germans report a substantial Russian counter-offensive west of Moscow and resumption of Soviet attacks in the Voronej area. They may ease the situation, provided they make quick and substantial progress. There is, however, still no sign of such progress.

U. S. Production

Mr. J. H. Kaisar, the American genius who knew nothing about ships a couple of years ago and is now the world's greatest shipbuilding wizard, has succeeded in persuading the U. S. War Production Board to agree to quantity construction of giant 70 ton "Mars" flying boats. Even the first part of the programme—100 Mars for the Navy—will not, of course, begin to materialise in any appreciable number before the end of the year. But the value of the Mars even in the absence of any shipping crisis cannot be over-estimated. A fleet of these boats can rush urgent material—as also men—to any theatre of active operations from the arsenal of the United Nations in days and weeks instead of months. But the present demand for the "Mars" arises from other circumstances which emphasise an unfavourable state of affairs. The shipping position remains grave and the U.S.A. has just been officially informed that its production of other vital equipment, too, like tanks and aeroplanes was behind schedule in June.

Frankly Speaking

Welcome News

While there is an uneasy and unfortunate stalemate in Egypt, and the Germans are battering their way through Russia in an extremely alarming manner, it is good to know that the situation is now not so bad in the Far East at least. The Chinese, helped at last by a measure of air support, are more than holding their own against the Japanese. But what is almost exciting is that America has now begun to take the initiative Allied naval and air forces have started offensive operations against the Japanese in the Solomon islands north east of Australia, presumably on an effective scale And Admiral Nimitz reports that American naval forces are also simultaneously attacking Siska, the main Japanese foothold in the Aleutians. Details about the nature and object of these operations are not yet known: for instance, whether they are intended to eject the Japanese or only to destroy their installations, bases and shipping. But in the meantime they ought to be welcomed as important signs that the U.S.A. is beginning to pass to the offensive

Wanted An Inquiry

It is officially declared that there was police firing in five places in the city on Sunday. The defence is that the police were stoned by uncontrollable violent crowds. It may be based on the reports of the officers concerned. But such defence is not enough. An immediate independent inquiry is necessary to investigate into all these cases. Meanwhile, we cannot too strongly condemn resort to violent methods of any kind by those who demonstrate their sympathy with the Congress or their protest against repressive measures. Perfect non-violence should be observed in all such activities.

CITY DEMONSTRATIONS

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was sudden stone-throwing. The police resorted to firing.

Two single-decker trams were found lying damaged and deserted on the Girgaon Opera House route.

At Shivaji Park

Thousands of people had mustered in and around Shivaji Park in the evening as word had gone round from mouth to mouth that Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi would address the meeting in the absence of Mahatmaji and by four o'clock there was a sea of humanity as far as eye could reach.

All the roads leading to Shivaji Park, the balconies, terraces and roofs of the houses around, and upto the sea-beach teemed with multitudes of men and women whose slogans rent the air.

In front of every house there were buckets of water, cold and hot provided by the ladies of the locality for soaking handkerchiefs.

Armed police, tear gas squads and policemen with lathis has posted themselves in Shivaji Park from an early hour in the afternoon.

By about five o'clock the crowd came to know that Mrs. Gandhi had been arrested and there was going to be no meeting. But the crowd would not disperse.

The police made several attempts to drive the crowd away. There were repeated lathi charges and numerous tear gas attacks without any avail.

After half a dozen tear gas attacks which consisted of volleys of tear gas squibs, the people got used to them and began to extinguish them by stamping on the squibs as they fell one after another.

A number of lathi charges also proved ineffective and the crowd refused to disperse.

There were occasional clashes between the police and the gathering when the latter retaliated with their umbrellas during lathi charges. Stones were also hurled at the police as a result of which there were injuries on both sides.

At one stage the police opened fire.

In the course of the various melees between the police and the crowd some persons are reported to have been injured.

Trains returning from Dadar after the crowds had finally dispersed at about 8-30 owing to the late hour carried people many of whom were residents of the curfew areas.

MUTTONLESS DAY FOR CITY

"Mutton will not be available in Bombay markets today, (Monday) as there is less stock of sheep and goats at the Bandra Slaughter house.

Beef, as usual, will be available in the markets for sale to-morrow.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OVER ENGLAND

LONDON, August 9.

An Air Ministry Communique on Sunday says:

"At dusk last night a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs harmlessly at a point on the east coast of England and was destroyed.

Later few enemy aircraft flew over north and east England. Bombs dropped caused some damage and a small number of casualties."—Reuter.

Indian Independence

Psychological Moment For Its Recognition

Gandhiji Explains Background Of 'Quit India' Formula To "American Friends"

AHMEDABAD, Aug. 9.

"As I am supposed to be the spirit behind the much discussed and equally well abused resolution of the Working Committee of the Indian National Congress on Independence, it has become necessary for me to explain my position, for I am not unknown to you," writes Mahatma Gandhi in a leading article in the "Harijan" under the caption, "To My American Friends."

He states: "I have in America perhaps the largest number of friends in the West—not even excepting Great Britain. British friends knowing me personally are more discerning than the American. In America, I suffer from the well-known malady called hero worship. Good Dr. Holmes, until recently of the Unity Church of New York, without knowing me personally became my advertising agent. Some of the nice things he said about me I never knew myself. So I receive often embarrassing letters from America expecting me to perform miracle.

On Ruskin And Tolstoy

Dr. Holmes was followed much later by Bishop Fisher who knew me personally in India. He very nearly dragged me to America but fates had ordained otherwise and I could not visit your vast and great country with its wonderful people.

Moreover, you have given me a teacher in Thoreau, who furnished me through his essay on the "Duty of Civil Disobedience" scientific confirmation of what I was doing in South Africa. Great Britain gave me Ruskin, whose "Unto This Last" transformed me overnight from a lawyer and city-dweller into a rustic living away from Durban on a farm, three miles from the nearest railway station, and Russia gave me in Tolstoi, a teacher who furnished a reasoned basis for my non-violence. He blessed my movement in South Africa when it was still in its infancy and of whose wonderful possibilities I had yet to learn It was he who had prophesied in his letter to me that I was leading a movement which was destined to bring a message of hope to the down-trodden people of earth.

So you will see that I have not approached the present task in any spirit of enmity to Great Britain and the West. After having imbibed and assimilated the message of "Unto This Last," I could not be guilty of approving of Fascism or Nazism, whose cult is suppression of the individual and his liberty.

"Quit India" Explained

I invite you to read my formula of withdrawal or as it has been popularly called "Quit India" with this background. You may not read into it more than the context warrants.

I claim to be a votary of Truth from my childhood. It was the most natural thing to me. My prayerful search gave me the revealing maxim "truth is God" instead of the usual one "God is truth." That maxim enables me to see good face to face as it were. I feel him pervade every fibre of my being. With this truth as witness between you and me, I assert that I would not have asked my country to invite Great Britain to withdraw her rule over India, irrespective of any demand to the contrary, if I had not seen at once that for the sake of Great Britain and the Allied cause, it was necessary for Britain boldly to perform the duty of freeing India from bondage.

By that supreme act of justice Britain would have taken away all cause for the seething discontent of India. She will turn the growing ill-will into active goodwill. I submit that it is worth all the battleship and airships that your wonder working engineers and financial resources can produce.

I know that interested propaganda has filled your ears and eyes with distorted vision of the Congress position. I have been painted as a hypocrite and enemy of Britain under disguise. My demonstrable spirit of accommodation has been described as my inconsistency, proving me to be an utterly unreliable man. I am not going to burden this letter with proof in support of my assertions. If the credit I have enjoyed in America will not stand me in good stead, nothing I may argue in self-defence will carry conviction.

Congress Demand

You have made common cause with Great Britain. You cannot heretofore disown responsibility for anything that her representatives do in India. You will do a grievous wrong to the Allied cause, if you do not sift the truth from the chaff whilst there is yet time. Just think of it. Is there anything wrong in the Congress demanding unconditional recognition of India's independence? it is being said: "But this is not the time." We say "this is the psychological moment for that recognition. For then and then only can there be irresistable opposition to Japanese aggression. It is of immense value to the Allied cause if it is also of equal value to India.

I want you to look upon the immediate recognition of India's Independence as a measure of first class magnitude.—A.P.

WARTIME LEASE FOR COMMUNAL CRICKET

Control Board's Decision: Ranji Trophy Draw

BOMBAY, August 9.

"The Board of Control for Cricket in India resolves to defer the consideration of the report of the Sub-Committee on Communal Cricket in view of the present internal and international situation. In the meanwhile the Pentangular Cricket Tournament staged at Bombay and similar competitions at other places will continue to be played as heretofore" was the unanimous resolution passed at thirteenth annual general meeting of the Board of Control for Cricket held at the Brabourne Stadium to-day with Dr. P. Subbaroyan in the chair.

In moving the above resolution Mr. P. Gupta (Bengal) stated that the Board had to consider the report of the Sub-Committee which had met at Madras in March last and the minutes of dissent by Bombay, Sind and United Provinces. As the mover of the Madras resolution, Mr. Gupta felt that it was his intention to consider this report in a peaceful atmosphere and not to add to the general confusion and asked the president to defer the consideration of that report. After a slight discussion, the above resolution was unanimously passed, the Board placing on record its appreciation of the work done by the Sub-Committee.

The following attended the meeting:— Dr. H. D. Kanga (Vice-President), Mr. A. S. Demello (Vice-President), M. G. Bhave (Maharashtra), Asudarmal Rewachand (Sind), H. N. Contractor (Bombay, C. P. and Berar and W. I. States), M. Alam (U. P.), K. A. D. Naoroji (Bihar), Zahiruddin, Ahmed (Hyderabad), P. Gupta (Bengal), K. S. Ranga Rao (Hon. Secretary and Proxies for Madras, Mysore, Baroda, Southern Punjab, Rajputana and Northern India).

OFFICE-BEARERS

The following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year after the adoption of the annual report: President:— Dr. P. Subbaroyan; Vice-Presidents: Dr. H. D. Kanga, A. S. Demello, and J. C. Mukherjee (Bengal); Hon. Secretary: K. S. Ranga Rao; Hon. Treasurer: Z. R. Irani.

Sind, Delhi, Bihar and Mysore were given representation on the Working Committee.

It was found necessary to examine the existing rules of the Board and the Ranji Trophy and a Sub-Committee consisting of Messrs. H. N. Contractor, P. Gupta and Pattabiraman with the Hon. Secretary and the President was appointed to go into the question.

RANJI TROPHY DRAW

The Ranji Trophy draw then took place, as follows:—

SOUTH ZONE:— Madras vs. Mysore at Madras; Hyderabad vs. C. P. and Berar at Hyderabad.

EAST ZONE:— U. P. vs. Holker State at Lucknow; Bengal vs. Bihar (to be decided).

NORTH ZONE:— Southern Punjab vs. Northern India at Patiala; Rajputana vs. Delhi at Ajmer.

WEST ZONE:— Bombay vs. Maharashtra at Bombay; Baroda vs. Gujerat (to be decided); Jamnagar vs. Western India States (to be decided); Sind (bye).

The Ranji Trophy Sub-Committee consists of Dr. Subbaroyan, C. P. Johnstone and K. S. Ranga Rao, while the umpires' Sub-Committee consists of Messrs. H. N. Contractor, P. Gupta and Pattabhiraman.

The Board also placed on record its appreciation of the meritorious services rendered by Mr. C. P. Johnstone as a Vice-President during the past year.—A.P.

Aftermath

By D. F. KARAKA

The door is barred and bolted and for those of us who prayed and hoped that some settlement would be effected the news of this morning is sad. All comment is futile as neither side is in a mood for negotiation. It occurred to me as I sat and listened to the speeches made at the A.I.C.C. that the slogan of the Congress should not have been "QUIT INDIA", but "Join the Congress to help the war effort." What would Government have done in such a case? Would it still have arrested the leaders of the Congress? I think that is what the difference between the Congress and the Government boils down to, if we can take the statements made by prominent Congress leaders at their face value. The Congress wants to help the Allied cause, but feels at the same time that it can help best when the responsibility is that of the Indian people. It is somewhat ironical that two parties who have the same goal in view—the defence of India and victory for the Allied cause—should differ so much in the way of achieving that common goal.

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The Government's decision to round up the leaders, immediately after the resolution was passed, was reached, we are told, by the Viceroy's Executive Council at which only one Englishman was present, except the Viceroy. From reports reaching me from authoritative sources I gather that Dr. Ambedkar and Sir C. P. Ramaswami Ayyar were in favour of early action. The others were more inclined to wait and allow Mahatma Gandhi to write his letter to the Viceroy and the Congress President to write to the United Nations. However, with most of the provincial heads of the administration, concurring in the view held by Ambedkar and C. P. this present course was decided upon.

It is felt by many observers, both British and American, that in view of the extremely conciliatory speeches of the Maulana and the Mahatma, the Government would have done better to exploit the possibility of a settlement rather than take the hasty action which it has taken. A time has come when a great majority of people do not care whether the Congress is right or the Government is right. Their only interest is that that two should come together and the feeling of neutral observers is that negotiations were possible in view of the pro-war and pro-defence-of-India sentiments which were expressed at the A.I.C.C. meeting.

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I hear to-day that after Colonel Louis Johnson, who came to India as the U. S. President's personal observer, returned to Washington there was a possibility of his coming back. Well-informed American sources here suggest that Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador to the United States, intervened to stress that it would not be "diplomatically correct" to send out to India a man who had so obvious a sympathy with the Indian nationalists. It would be interesting to know whether Johnson and Grady's account of what is happening in India tallied with the version of Cripps and his Secretary. If it tallied well and good, but if it did not tally, what will the American President do about it? Our eyes are turned Americawards and not only India but also China would like some clarification from the Americans as to how and where they stand.

JINNAH ON MASS MOVEMENT

BOMBAY, August 9.

"I deeply regret that the Congress has finally declared war and has launched a most dangerous mass movement in spite of numerous warnings and advices from various individuals parties and organisations in this country" says Mr. M. A. Jinnah, in a press statement.

He adds: 'It is impossible to believe that the Congress leaders were not fully alive to the facts that such a movement will result not only in violence but bloodshed and destruction of innocent peoples. It is to be deplored all the more that this movement is launched at this critical juncture and with the object of forcing their demands at the point of bayonet, while if conceded, with a view to pacify the Congress arrogant attitude and averting the challenge thrown so wantonly by them, will mean complete surrender and sacrifice of all other interests and particularly those of Muslim India.

APPEAL TO MUSLIMS

As I have said I have summoned the Working Committee of the All India Muslim League and it is going to meet on the 16th of August in Bombay. Until the decision of the Working Committee I appeal to the Musalmans to keep completely aloof from this movement and not to surrender to the threats and the intimidations of the Congress workers but to continue their normal life peacefully.

I also solemnly warn the Congress and the Congress workers not to interfere, molest, harass or picket the Musalmans in order to make them carry out their behests or orders. An attempt to force the Musalmans will lead to very grave situation and the Congress and the Congress workers will be held wholly responsible for the consequences that may ensue.

CALL TO HINDUS

I still appeal to the Hindu public to stop this internecine civil war to which they are called by the Congress before it is too late. We are equally determined and convinced of our policy. Peaceful solution is the only way under the conditions in which we are living, even if we have to wait for a solution. I think that it is upto the responsible Hindu leaders to come forward and stop this reckless and thoughtless programme.

JINNAH'S CHARGE AGAINST JAWAHAR

BOMBAY, August 9.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah has issued the following statement:—

"Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in the course of his speech at the meeting of the A. I. C. C. on the 8th August, 1942, without disclosing the source of his information said that he had been informed that Sir Stafford Cripps was told on behalf of the Muslim League that the Viceroy's veto should not be removed or qualified in any way. It is absolutely untrue and without any foundation. The rest of his speech is full of mis-statements and I do not wish to repeat any more what I have already said before, but he says the Muslim masses were not reactionary and they were with the Congress, implying thereby that the Muslim League is a reactionary body which is a libellous accusation against us, and for that there is no justification. But if the masses as he says are with the Congress with regard to their policy and the resolution of the Working Committee represents the voice of India why bother about the Muslim League that does not represent the Muslims of India?

"He says that the Congress were prepared to pay any price as if India belonged to him, except the price of freedom and their honour. Who suggests that the freedom of Indian peoples should be bartered away? We are firmly of opinion that the quickest way to achieve freedom of all the peoples of India and for both Hindus and Muslims is by acceptance of Pakistan Scheme by agreement. I fail to see where does the question of the sacrifice of honour comes in if the Hindu India were to accept the right of 100 million Muslims of India to self-determination instead of forcing them to remain in an artificial and unnatural union with most disastrous and dangerous consequences that must follow if such a course was adopted.—United Press.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"Addressing the United Nations and Britain Gandhiji said they had the opportunity now of a life time to declare India free and prove their real intentions."
—Saturday's Proceedings.

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Mahatma Gandhi and his party have been lodged in the Aga Khan's Palace which has been rented by the Government, says a Poona report.

Bombay Bureaucratia (or is it Delhi?) seems to have a low idea of its own normal His Majesty's Hospitality. A bad confession.

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Apropos of the A. I. C. C. resolution, the Government of India's counter-resolution says: "To a challenge such as the present, there can only be one answer."

There COULD be another answer. But by insisting upon it we will perhaps be denying that there can only be one opinion about Messrs. Aney, Sarkar, Sultan Ahmad and company.

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"India", says the Counter-Resolution, "has to-day a Government stronger and more representative than ever in the past."

See above and keep your comments to yourself.

At least you needn't tell us; in the first place we already know and in the second place we would rather not publish them.

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It is reported that tear gas was used to disperse the crowd at Gowalia Maidan on Sunday morning.

Is that the local interpretation of Churchill's famous tears and sweat speech?

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Japan has declared that peace with Russia would be maintained as long as the Soviet Union "adheres strictly to the Soviet-Japanese Neutrality Pact."

Of course, there would be instant trouble if the Soviet did anything aggressive as on June 22, 1941 when Japan's friend and perceptor, Adolph Hitler, had reluctantly to take action.

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Talking of the Soviet-Japanese Neutrality Pact, the Japs would, indeed, be justified in accusing the Soviet of having begun to commit aggressive breaches already.

For instance, there is the attack on Jap-occupied Aleutians by U. S. Naval Forces.

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Last week Allied aircraft and submarines destroyed or damaged, about half-a-dozen, Axis supply vessels, barges and lighters, etc. in the Mediterranean.

Which is splendid. But—er—how many dozens got through?

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An Axis report that Marshal Chiang-kai-Shek is in Moscow is not confirmed in London, says Reuter.

All right, but why give publicity to it? Suppose the Chinese News Agency retaliates with so many other unconfirmed reports by the Axis?

TOUCHING SCENES MARK MAHATMA'S ARREST

CITY POLICE ROUND UP CONGRESS LEADERS

News Of Raids And Arrests All Over Country Pours In

Within ten hours after the termination of the proceedings of the All-India Congress Committee, on Saturday evening, India's chosen leader, world revered, 74 year-old Mahatma Gandhi, the President and members of the Congress Working Committee and other prominent Congressmen, numbering 54 in all, were arrested in the city of Bombay.

HARTAL IN CITY

The news of the arrest of Congress leaders spread quickly in the city. Several newspapers, including "The Bombay Chronicle", "The Bombay Samachar", came out with special supplements announcing the arrests, early in the morning. "Hartal" was observed in many parts of the city. Crowds of people collected at every street corner and stopped vehicular traffic. Long queues of tram-cars stood idle along the roads in certain places.

Touching Scenes At Birla House

Touching scenes were witnessed both inside and outside the residence of Mr. G. D. Birla when Mahatma Gandhi was arrested and taken away. Following Saturday night's speech and some urgent correspondence which he had to attend to, Mahatmaji felt too weary to hold the usual prayers in public. Therefore a small crowd of devoted men who had come to attend his prayers stayed outside the Birla House gate waiting for the dawn when they could have his 'Darshan', while he said his prayers in bed.

Therefore when Police Commissioner, Mr. Butler accompanied by a few senior officers arrived at Birla House exactly at two minutes past five a.m. a tremour of excitement ran through the small crowd.

Soon after the arrival of the police, Mahatma Gandhi was informed that they had come to execute three warrants of arrest against himself, Mr. Mahadev Desai and Miraben. Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi and Mr. Pyarelal Sarma were informed by Commissioner Butler that although they were not under arrest, he had instructions to allow them to accompany Gandhiji if they so desired. But both of them declined to accept the offer.

In reply to Gandhiji's inquiry the Police Commissioner informed him that Gandhiji could have half an hour to get ready. Then Gandhiji took his usual breakfast of goat's milk and fruit juice. As soon as Gandhiji got ready a Muslim member of the Sewagram Ashram recited some verses from the Holy Quran. This was followed by the singing of his the Mahatma's favourite hymn "Vaishnava Janto" by members of Gandhiji's party and the Birla family.

Gandhiji's kit, which was quickly got ready consisted of a few personal belongings, a copy of the Bhagwad Gita,' a book of Ashram verses, a copy of the holy Quran, an Urdu primer and his inevitable 'Charkha.'

Exchange Of Greetings

Before boarding the car, Gandhiji was garlanded and 'kumkum' was put on his forehead by Mrs. R. D. Birla. Mahatmaji smiling pleasantly at the members of his host's family, exchanged greetings with them, picked up his staff and stepped lightly into the big Sedan car which was waiting to carry him away.

As Gandhiji's car preceded by a police pilot car and followed by another empty car presumably meant for his luggage, the little crowd of people outside the gate which had now mysteriously increased, stood by in respectful silence. Some of them shed silent tears.

Azad's Arrest

As usual Maulana Azad, the Congress President, got up early at 4 a.m. After his usual prayers and tea he was resting for a while when at 5 a.m. the police entered the compound. Three police cars entered the compound and the other inmates got up. Maulana was given about an hour and was served with a warrant of arrest. His luggage including a wicker basket was packed up. A few Arabian Persian books were shoved into a trunk to occupy the learned President's leisure hours. He put on his clothes and stuffing his pocket with his favourite cigarettes, smiled genially at the members of his host's family and told the police he was ready.

"I expected you earlier" exclaimed Mrs. Sarojini Naidu when the police came to take her way. She was ready with her luggage packed in expectation of arrest last night.

Mrs. Indira Gandhi opened the door when the police rang the bell of Mr. Hutheesing's residence at 5 a. m. Pandit Jawaharlal had only four hours of sleep as he went to bed at 1 a. m.

As Mr. Hutheesing started to pack Panditji's luggage, he was informed that he too was under arrest. Both of them were given time to take a bath and tea. Panditji carried five books as a part of his equipment.

When Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Acharya Kripalani who was staying in the same building were being taken by the police at about 6-30 a. m., they were unaware that Mahatma Gandhi and a part of his entourage were speeding away only a few minutes ahead.

"I would rather walk along" said Mr. B. G. Kher when the police offered him a lift back to his residence from Mr. Wandrekar's place where he had hurried on receipt of a telephonic message that the police had come there. Mr. Kher refused to be hustled, took his morning walk and was taken away by the police after an hour's interval.

SIMULTANEOUS ARRESTS

Arrests in the city were simultaneous. All the arrested persons were removed to the Victoria Terminus where a special train was ready to take them away, presumably to Poona. All the gates of the main platform were closed. The station itself was heavily guarded. The chain of cars coming into the guarded station attracted large crowds of people. The train steamed off at 7-20 a.m. and immediately afterwards the doors were flung open and the guard was withdrawn.

Prominent among those who were included in the round-up are:—Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Acharya Kripalani, Dr. Pattabhi Seetaramayya, Dr. Prafulla Chandra Ghosh, Dr. Syed Mahmud, Mr. Asaf Ali, Mr. Shankerrao Deo, Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant, Mr. Harekrishna Mehtab, Mr. Morarji Desai, Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Mr. Yusuf Meherally, Mayor of Bombay, Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Mr. S. K. Patil, Mr. Bhawanji Arjun Khimji, Mr. Asok Mehta, Mr. Abid Ali Jafferbhoy, Mrs. Sofia Khan, Mr. Ganpatisankar Desai and Mrs. Shantabai Vengsarkar, Miss Kisan Dhumatkar, Miss Maniben Patel, and Mr. Silam, Mr. Asok Mehta and Dr. Narvane.

SURPRISE FOR CITIZENS

The arrest of the Congress leaders seemed to have come to the citizens as an unexpected surprise for thousands of them gathered at the Gowalia tank maidan from an early hour to attend the flag-hoisting and the volunteer rally which had been announced. The news could not spread as the telephones had gone dead during the night.

The telephone connection buzzed again in the morning.

Although the police were in occupation, the volunteers and Desh Sevikas stood in formation around the flag staff. Mr. Wadilal, a captain of the Congress Volunteer Corps unfurled the flag.

Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali addressing the volunteers informed them of the arrest of the Congress leaders. Mr. Manibhai Seth followed her. As he was trying to speak the police repeated the warning which they had given to them and asked them to disperse. But the volunteers refused to budge.

A police gas squad which was kept in readiness was asked to release a few gas squibs. As the volunteers stood in a semi-circle facing the Gowalia tank road, the gas squibs were hurled at them from the Gamdevi end. The volunteers lay down on their faces and some of them did not leave till four charges were hurled on them.

TRI-COLOUR PULLED DOWN

After all the volunteers retreated two officers tried to pull down the flag. Some of the volunteers who tried to come to its protection were beaten back.

A lathi charge was also made to clear the crowds. Light lathi charges had to be made on several occasions on crowds which collected in the streets and would not move.

About 20 persons were arrested by 10 a.m. as they were alleged to have asked shop-keepers to close the shops.

GOVT. COMMUNIQUE ON ARRESTS

BOMBAY, Aug. 9.

The Government of Bombay has issued the following 'communique':

With the concurrence of the Government of India, the Government of Bombay has detained Mr. Gandhi and all the members of the Congress Working Committee who attended the recent meeting of the A.I.C.C.

Under the Defence of India Rules, Rule 26, a number of active Congressmen in the Province of Bombay have also been arrested.—A.P.

HOW RAJEN BABU WAS ARRESTED

PATNA, Aug. 9.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, a member of the Congress Working Committee and President of the Bihar Provincial Congress Committee was formally placed under arrest shortly after 12 noon to-day.

Earlier at about 10 a.m. the District Magistrate arrived at Sadqat Ashram, the headquarters of the Bihar Provincial Congress Committee, where Dr. Prasad has his residence in a bungalow close by and informed him that he had come to arrest him under orders.

The District Magistrate was told that Dr. Prasad had not been keeping normal health for sometime past and was at present under medical treatment.

It will be recalled that Dr. Prasad had an attack of his old asthmatic complaint and was developing a temperature intermittently, which prevented him from proceeding to Bombay to attend the Working Committee and the A.I.C.C. meetings.

The District Magistrate then had Dr. Rajendra Prasad examined by the Civil Surgeon.

A crowd of Congress workers and others had in the meantime collected at Sadqat Ashram and were waiting to see the developments in continuous rain since this morning. Dr. Prasad's sister and some other ladies were also present. "Quit India," "Mahatma Gandhi-ki-jai" and other slogans were raised from time to time.

At about 12-30 p.m. when arrangements for Dr. Prasad's removal had been completed a car was drawn to his residence and a passage was made for him through the crowd to enter the car. He was garlanded profusely and many touched his feet as he slowly walked to the car and was escorted by the District Magistrate and Civil Surgeon.—A.P.

C. P. GOVT. LINE-UP

NAGPUR, Aug. 9.

By a Gazette Extraordinary issued this morning the Provincial Government have declared unlawful association under Section 17 of the Indian Criminal Law Amendment Act 1908 all Congress and Subsidiary organisations throughout the Province numbering 61 these include the Congress Socialist Party and the Hindustan Red Army.—A.P.

Nagpur Arrests

NAGPUR, August 9.

The police have sealed the offices of the Nagpur Provincial Congress Committee and another building where were housed the offices of the Nagpur Tehsil Congress Committee and various other Congress Committees and organisations.

Several Congress leaders and workers have been arrested, including Mr. C. J. Bharuka, former Industries Minister.

Congress A.R.P. volunteers and Samrakshak Dal took out a procession in the forenoon in accordance with the decision announced yesterday. When they reached Chitnis Park to hold a meeting, they were asked by the police to disperse, which they did.

Several shops in the city have been closed.—A. P.

Students' Union Secretaries Arrested

Messrs. Manu Patel, Jafer Abid Ali, the Secretaries of Bombay Students' Union and Fort Students' Union (Nationalist), were arrested near Gowalia Tank Maidan.

Dhirubhai Arrested

Mr. Dhirubhai Desai, ex-President of the Bombay P. C. C. was arrested on Sunday.

B. N. Guards' Captain Arrested

Sjt. V. R. Modak, Captain of the Bombay National Guards was arrested to-day at 5 a.m. at his residence.

Tandon, And Katju And Others Arrested

ALLAHABAD, August 9.

THE A.I.C.C. OFFICE HAS BEEN LOCKED UP BY THE LOCAL POLICE. BABU PURSHOTTAMDAS TANDON, SPEAKER OF THE U.P. ASSEMBLY AND DR. K. N. KATJU HAVE BEEN ARRESTED.

The Police, it is learnt, took possession of the Swaraj Bhavan and the A.I.C.C. Office here under orders of the District Magistrate under the Criminal Law Amendment Act.

LUCKNOW ARRESTS

LUCKNOW, August 9.

Mr. C. B. Gupta, M.L.A., President, Lucknow City, Congress Committee; and A. K. Roy, member of the Forward Bloc, were arrested this morning in Aminabad.

ARRESTS IN CAWNPORE

CAWNPORE, August 9.

Some shops were closed in the city following the news of arrest of Congress leaders in Bombay. The police searched a number of places including the local Congress Committee Office, the 'Pratap' office and the residence of Mr. Hari Shankar Vidyarthi, editor of the 'Pratap', and Pt. Bal Krishna Sharma. The police have taken possession of the local Congress Office. Some Congress workers were arrested

TWO WORKERS ARRESTED

CALCUTTA, August 9.

Two workers of the Burrabazar District Congress Committee were arrested about midday today, while they were shouting in the streets in Burrabazar area, the news of the arrests of Mahatma Gandhi and other Congress leaders.—A. P.

T. N. C. C. OFFICE SEARCHED

MADRAS, August 9.

The office of the Tamil Nad Congress Committee was searched and taken possession of by the local police this afternoon.—A. P.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET DULL AND FEATURELESS

TRADERS AWAIT BUREAU REPORT

Bombay, Aug. 8.

The first Bureau report estimating probable production of American cotton and existing conditions will be released to-day in the United States of America and traders were inclined to await the same.

Messrs. Orvis Bros. estimate the crop at 12,570,000 bales, New York Cotton Exchange members 12,429,000 bales and the average of five private estimates gives 12,366,000 bales.

On Friday the New York cotton market was quiet and featureless. There was evening up of operations prior to the issuance of the crop report. There was trade buying and covering against light liquidation.

The market opened at a rise of 2 points with October 18.30 and advanced to 18.34. At this level there was some selling and prices declined to 18.20. The market finally closed at a net decline of 7 to 3 points. Spot cotton prices declined 6 points at 19.59c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet and closed at a decline of 6 to 2 points. Spot cotton prices declined 6 points at 18.66c. per lb.

LOCAL SITUATION.

Messrs. Anandilal Podar and Co., state :—

On Friday, cotton opened somewhat steady on some faint hopes over the internal politics aided by the damage reports to Sind crop. An oversold market can only bid at higher prices on frenzied short covering. The market closed at 2 p.m. but thereafter Mahajan touched Rs. 310. That revival of confidence in their intrinsic values was discernible in seeds, yarn, cloth and shares.

Dispassionately surveying the situation, it is apparent from the welter of opinions and revelations, the fate of events now rests with a well-tried peace-loving and trusted leader, who is inimical to horrible chaos and tumult. That is quite enough to restore the sanity in reassessing the future and its implications. From the market's point of view, unwarranted fears should slowly give place to one of hopes and disappointments until all saner reasons are exhausted. And that sentiment should, undoubtedly, lead to constructive ideas on setbacks in commodities unless otherwise any misfortune to overtake which cannot afford in the midst of the world's crucial hour.

PRIVATE CABLES :—

N. Y. October highest (12.47 p.m.) 18.34+06
N. Y. October lowest (2.42 p.m.) 18.20—06

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co., Ltd., have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends :—

New York.—Market narrow and featureless awaiting Bureau Report.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, August 8.

October	17.84
December	18.01
Middling Spot	19.21

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New York, August 8.

October	18.03
December	18.21
Middling Spot	18.24

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, August 8.

T. T. London on :—

New York, sellers	4.02-1/2
buyers	4.03-1/2
Madrid, official	40.5
voluntary rate	—
Montreal, sellers	4.43
buyers	4.47
Zurich, sellers	17.3
buyers	17.4
Stockholm, sellers	16.85
buyers	16.95

U. S. Cotton Crop Estimate

Bearish Bureau Report

The Bureau report on cotton crop production in the United States of America was issued on Saturday by the Department of Agriculture. The report was considered bearish as the official estimate turned out to be large by nearly five lakhs bales. This first forecast places the probable American cotton crop at 1,30,85,000 bales and the yield per acre 266.7 lbs. The condition of the crop was 79 per cent. of the normal ginnings prior to 1st August totalled 49,000 bales. The final production of cotton in America last season was 1,07,44,000 bales and the yield per acre 231.9 lbs. following the large estimate, the New York Cotton Market was weak and the rate for December contract closed at a loss of nearly 36 points at 18.04/18.03.

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MOSCOW, AUGUST 9.

REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT SAYS: SINCE FRIDAY NIGHT THE POSITION IN THE WESTERN PART OF THE NORTHERN CAUCASUS HAS FURTHER DETERIORATED. THE RUSSIANS HAVE RETREATED IN THE KROPOTKIN REGION WHERE THEY FOR SOME DAYS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN VERY HEAVY FIGHTING. THE LATEST REPORTS RECORD FURTHER SOVIET WITHDRAWALS ALONG THE KROPOTKIN-ARMAVIR FRONT. BETWEEN THE BEND OF THE KUBAN RIVER AND THE MAIKOP OIL FIELDS THE ONLY NATURAL OBSTACLE IS THE SMALL RIVER LABA.

THE RED ARMY IS PUTTING UP A FIERCE FIGHT ROUND KOTELNIKOVO TO BAR THE WAY TO A GERMAN ATTEMPT TO MOVE NORTH-EAST ALONG THE RAILWAY TO STALINGRAD, 95 MILES AWAY. TANK BATTLES PREDOMINATED HERE YESTERDAY. THOUGH THE GERMANS ALSO THREW IN MUCH MOTORISED INFANTRY AND TOMMY-GUNNERS."

NAZI ATTACKS REPULSED

In some sectors the battle lines changed hands many times. There were frequent Soviet counter-attacks. Near one village, a Soviet tank unit inflicted a serious reverse on the enemy. The position in the Don Elbow has not essentially changed in the last 24 hours. Numerous German attacks though not on a major scale were beaten off. In these engagements the Germans lost 1,400 men and several dozen tanks. Near a point "O", Soviet troops retreated a small distance taking up positions on the next defence line.

South of Kletskaya, the Germans concentrated big forces but the Russians attacked first with a swift flank movement and broke up the enemy's formations. Aircraft have been active on both sides, the Luftwaffe attempting to bomb river crossings in the Don Elbow.

Nazi Retreats Around Leningrad

MOSCOW, August 9.

Two more strongholds have been wrested from the German blockade ring round Leningrad while the Karelian, Volkov, North-Western Moscow and Briansk fronts report continuous local battles with a number of important positions captured from the enemy. Clever Soviet anti-aircraft ambushes, shot down last week 19 German transport planes trying to bring supplies to a starving German garrison, encircled in a stronghold by Red army positions.

NAZI ADVANCE NOT ARRESTED AT KROPOTKIN

The Soviet Army newspaper "Red Star" to-day (Sunday) reported further Soviet withdrawals in the Armavir region yesterday, following other withdrawals on Friday. "The Germans broke through into Armavir region some days ago", said the newspaper. There are large German tank forces in the area. In one sector Cossack troops made a successful stand throughout yesterday. The Russians are also fighting difficult battles on the banks of the Kuban at Kropotkin, 50 miles north of Armavir on the railway to Rostov.

The "Red Star" said to-day "having withdrawn in the Kropotkin region our troops are conducting defensive battles in all sectors. Some of our units counter-attacked inflicting heavy losses on the enemy, but did not arrest his advance."

Frontline dispatches to-day say, that over a 1,000 German and Hungarian troops were killed yesterday, in the course of a series of enemy attempts to recapture valuable positions and villages on the west bank of the Don, south of Voronezh. These positions had been taken by the Russians on Friday when they carried out successful crossing of the Don.

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DELHI DETERMINED BUT REGRETFULLY WATCHES

MORE RESTRICTIONS ON MAHATMA: PROVINCIAL GOVTS. TAKE ACTION AGAINST CONGRESS BODIES

NEW DELHI, August 9.

Regretfully but determinedly, authoritative quarters in Delhi are watching the swift developments that have followed the A.I.C.C. Session in Bombay—by a coincidence, on the second anniversary of the August offer.

Regret is deepened by the fact that Mahatma Gandhi's declaration of intention to seek a meeting with the Viceroy should have been made "under the shadow of the challenge and the threat contained in the Congress resolution."

More Restrictions On Mahatma

So far there is no knowledge of any letter from Mahatma Gandhi either to the Viceroy or to any world figures such as Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek or President Roosevelt.

The intention seems to be tighten up the restrictions on contacts between the Mahatma and the outside world and to allow far less latitude now than on previous occasions when he was permitted to get newspapers, receive visitors, give interviews and conduct correspondence.

Consistently with the stricter limitations now to be imposed, he will receive every consideration that his status, age and health require. The restrictions on contact with the outside world will, it is understood, apply to Pandit Nehru and other Congress leaders under detention.

As regards action against Congress organisations, this falls within the provincial jurisdiction and therefore each Provincial Government is expected to issue orders declaring both the All-India and Provincial Congress organisations unlawful in its area. It is pointed out that while Congress bodies will be banned, individuals will not be proceeded against solely because of their pro-Congress views; but action will be necessary against individuals who are capable of and are known to intend to further the Congress campaign.—A.P.

ROOSEVELT'S ENVOY AT DELHI

NEW DELHI, August 9.

Mr. Lauchlin Currie, President Roosevelt's administrative assistant, arrived here to-day from Chungking.—A. P.

'EDUCATED' TORPEDO SINKS U. S. SHIP

WASHINGTON, August 7.

A U-Boat used what is described as an "Educated" torpedo to sink a medium sized United States' merchantman in the Gulf of Mexico. The torpedo had first to run parallel with the ship and then turned at right angles into it. The merchantman had picked up 270 seamen and passengers who had survived ther sinkings when it was sunk with the loss of 25 lives.—Reuter

On Pacific Front

ALLIED ATTACK ON SOLOMON ISLANDS

LONDON, Aug. 9

Allied Headquarters in the South-west Pacific::—A 'communique' states: "Our naval forces are taking part in an attack on the south-east Solomon Islands and our airforces are co-operating."

The "communique" also states medium bombers carried out three heavy attacks on Japanese installations at Salamaua and on the aerodrome there.

All bombs were dropped in the target area. A beached cargo ship received a direct hit and was left burning, anti-aircraft positions were silenced and the aerodrome runway hit. Many fires were started. An Allied air unit executed a prolonged and harassing raid at night over the aerodrome and wharf areas at Lae. The attacks were continued during the day by two flights of medium and heavy bombers using 2,000 pound bombs. An anti-aircraft position received a direct hit and other bombs landed in aircraft parking areas.

"BUNA-KOKODA:—Strong forces of Allied fighters bombed and strafed enemy installations starting fires and silencing machine-gun nests.

RABAUL:—Allied air units bombed an aerodrome in a night attack.

BUKA:—A successful night attack was made directed against an airfield. Considerable anti-aircraft fire was encountered.

North-western Sector:—Reconnaissance activity only."—Reuter.

Operations In Tulagi Area

PEARL HARBOUR, Aug. 9.

United States forces in the South-west Pacific have launched offensive operations in the Tulagi area which are progressing favourably, states a 'communique' issued by Admiral Nimitz.—Reuter.

CHIANG-KAI-SHEK IN MOSCOW?

LONDON, Aug. 9.

An Axis Radio station to-night mentioned "rumours" that General Chiang-Kai-Shek has arrived in Moscow.

There is no confirmation of this in London.—Reuter.

Tobruk's Toll

11th Ind. Infantry And Gurkha Rifles Captured

LONDON, August 9.

The War Office announces that the capture of Tobruk on June 21 involved the loss of elements of the following:—

United Kingdom: The 201st Guard (Motor) Brigade, the Thirty-second Army Tank Brigade

South Africa: The headquarters of the Second South African Division, the Fourth South African infantry Brigade, the Sixth South African Infantry Brigade.

India: The Eleventh Indian Infantry Brigade.

In these major formations, forming the garrison of the fort were incorporated battalions of the Royal Tank Regiment and of the following infantry regiments:—

United Kingdom: The Coldstream Guards, the Scots Guards (a detachment only), the Worcestershire Regiment, the Queens Own Cameron Highlanders.

South Africa: Die Middlelandse Regiment, Royal Durban Light Infantry, Transvaal Scottish, South African Police Battalions, Kaffrar Rifles.

India: The Mahratta Light Infantry and the Gurkha Rifles.

Apart from field artillery and anti-tank artillery and Royal Engineers included in the above formations, there were in the garrison units of medium anti-aircraft and coastal defences survey and searchlight artillery and Royal Engineers together with Signal Service Corps and Medical, Ordnance, pay, provost, pioneer and postal units most of which were United Kingdom troops.—Reuter.

FORMER PREMIER OF BURMA

LONDON, Aug. 8.

The Burma office announces that there is no truth in the report quoted by the Rome Radio of the death of the former Prime Minister of Burma, U. Saw.—Reuter.

ALLIED AIR OFFENSIVE

LONDON, August 9.

Allied Headquarters in the South-West Pacific:—

Buka Island which is mentioned in the communique, is in the Solomon islands. It lies to the north of the much larger island of Bougainville.

The attack on the south-east Solomon Islands initiated by the Allies, is apparently an attempt to retake the Japanese-occupied groups. Australian naval units are fighting with the Americans. It is obvious, that increasing Allied air raids against Japanese occupied Lae, Salamaua and Rabaul are part of the unified plan. The Allies have no bases in the Solomon Islands, but Tulagi, Buka, Bougainville and Guadal canal are strongly held by the Japanese.

The first Japanese foothold in the Solomons was secured at Kieta, on Bougainville Island where the landing was made on January 25. Advanced parties landed on Guadal canal on June 19 and were reinforced on July 4 when the Japanese concentrated on the construction of several aerodromes.—Reuter.

"How Could I Be In Moscow?

ANKARA, Aug. 8

Mr. Laurence Steinhardt, the United States Ambassador to Turkey and former Ambassador in Moscow, to-night denied reports that he had gone to Moscow. How could I be in Moscow when I am talking to you now from Istanbul, he replied to enquiries over the telephone.

I am staying here for a few more days and then returning to Ankara.—Reuter.

GOVT. ACTION WILL AFFECT INDIA'S WAR EFFORT

Liberal Party Chief Deplores Precipitation Of Crisis And Pleads For Peaceful Settlement

CALCUTTA, August 9.

"The country has been forced into an unfortunate political struggle at a moment when the war situation is getting daily more and more serious," observes Sir Bijay Prasad Singh Roy, President of the National Liberal Federation of India, in a statement to the "Associated Press."

Sir Bijay continues: "It is, indeed, regrettable that Mahatma Gandhi and other leaders of the Congress should have rejected all counsels for a settlement with the help of a Round Table Conference. As Mahatma Gandhi claims to speak on behalf of the entire nation and not merely for the members of the Congress, he owed it to other political parties and organisations, such as the Muslim League, the Hindu Mahasabha and the National Liberal Federation, to give them a chance of placing their views before taking the plunge.

However, one may be allured by the prospect of independence being secured for India through a non-violent struggle, one cannot be oblivious of the realities of the situation and the circumstances existing in the country with a large number of conflicting interests, and the Muslim League insisting on a division of India. The consequences of this struggle, foreshadowed in the All-India Congress Committee's resolution, on the peace and tranquillity of the country and her defence measures are too serious to be ignored, by any practical politician and one cannot but sincerely deplore the decision of the Congress.

GOVT. PRECIPITATED CRISIS

"The Government, on the other hand, have precipitated the crisis in trying to anticipate action by the Congress. Mahatma Gandhi was reported to have decided to interview the Viceroy before starting the movement. In the circumstances, Government could have awaited the result of this interview which might have given the entire situation, a peaceful turn. The arrests of so many leaders and the declaration of Congress organisations illegal will have an adverse psychological effect on the Indian people, affecting the country's war effort. I hope both the Congress and the Government will yet try to retrace their steps back and attempt a solution of the problem through discussions. I am sure that all other political organisations will lend their helping hand in the matter.—A. P.

IN EARNEST TO OPEN 2ND FRONT

"U. S. Troops Ready: Reliance For Support On Underground Allies"

LONDON, August 9.

United States forces are in Britain for the express purpose of opening a second front. Major-General Mark Wayne Clark, the 46-year-old Commander of United States ground forces in the European theatre of operations, said this in an interview to-day with Reuter's war correspondent with the United States forces in the British isles.

"They talk about a second front", he said, "all I can say is—the sooner the better. We will rely on the support of our underground Allies when we attack." The units of the troops earmarked for this theatre in America are fully trained in their own fields but under General Clark they learn to work together. "We keep men under close fire, send a burst of machine-gun fire over their heads and open artillery in their faces. Some few will naturally get injured, but it is better this should happen now and save so many later when in combat." Some idea of the scope of this vast undertaking can be gained from the fact that several separate offices messes are run daily and that Gen. Clark has, two little cub planes to cover the far-flung distances between his various units.

The following incident will give an idea of the way Gen. Clark works. Leaving Washington for Europe he needed a Press Relations Officer and phoned a Washington newspaperman, Mr. Jack Bearwood. "I am going over", he said abruptly. "Do you want to come to push doorbells with me in Germany or sit here and shine your pants in the office chair."—Reuter.

JUSTICITES TO OPPOSE CONGRESS ACTION

MADRAS, August 9.

The Executive Committee of the S.I.L.F. (Justice Party) met at Hotel Connemara today under the presidentship of Mr. E. V. Ramaswami Naicker, leader of the Party, to consider the present situation. The Committee viewed with grave concern the situation created by the attitude taken up by the Congress as embodied in the resolution recently passed by the A.I.C.C. at Bombay, and was firmly convinced that the mass action contemplated by the Congress Party would prove fatal to the freedom of India, seriously jeopardise the country's war efforts, help the Axis Powers, and endanger the safety of the masses of India. The Justice Party not merely dissociated itself from the move, but would do all in its power, to stoutly oppose that move.—A. P.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

An amusing incident occurred at Gowalia Tank when two British War Correspondents in a taxi were mobbed by a crowd. The crowd wanted the taxi-driver to get down, and to make the men-in-khaki walk. The driver gave way to the crowd's wishes and the correspondents also complied. Then one young Congressman realised that these two men in Khaki were only newspapermen and throwing his arms round Gander said: "We are Comrades after all." Gander, who represents the Conservative and Blue-blooded "Daily Telegraph" replied: "Well, Comrade, can you find me another taxi?"

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It is often asked: "In what country at war could there be as much freedom of speech as in Britain?" I ask: "In what country at civil disobedience could pleasant cricket matches be played in Shivaji Park where only round the Corner there were lathi charges?

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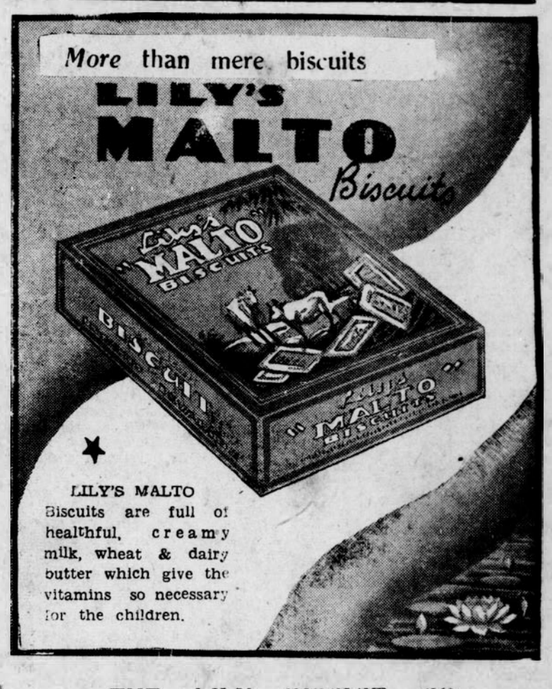
General knowledge question: "What is mass civil disobedience?" All answers should be sent direct to Mr. Amery, Whitehall, London S.W. Envelopes will kindly be marked "Personal."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CHARLIE CHAN — HANGNAIL — By ALFRED ANDRIOLA

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POISON INJECTED INTO STEVE'S VEINS MIGHT BE TRUE ANSWER!
POISONED? BUT WITH A POLICEMAN OUTSIDE - WHY DIDN'T HE YELL FOR HELP?
ADHESIVE TAPE ON MOUTH NOT CONDUCIVE TO BIG SHOUT!
I'LL HAVE A POSTMORTEM MADE IMMEDIATELY AND FIND OUT WHAT POISON WAS USED!
PLEASE EXAMINE STEVE'S FINGERS, DOCTOR, TO SEE IF FINGERNAIL IS MISSING!
WHAT ARE YOU DRIVING AT? ALL HIS FINGERNAILS ARE HERE!
THEN ONE OF MURDERER'S IS MISSING - AND THIS IS IT! SMALL CLUE - BUT PERHAPS ENOUGH TO HANG HIM!
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